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Useful and Curious.

### Ways of Committing Suicide.

Wearing thin shoes on damp nights in rainy

weather.

Leading a life of enfeebling 'stupid laziness and keeping the mind in an unnatural 'excitement by reading trashy novels.

Going to balls in all sorts of weather in the thinnest possible dress. Dancing till in a complete perspiration, and then going home through the damp 'air.

Sleeping on feather beds in 'sorely by nine bed-rooms.

Surfiting on hot and very stimulating diners.

Beginning in childhood on tea, and going on from one step to another, through coffee, chewing tobacco, 'smoking and drinking.

Marrying in haste, getting an uncongenial companion, and living the rest of life in mental dissatisfaction.

Keeping children quiet 'by teaching them to suck candy.

Eating without 'time to 'masticate the food.

to leave no stone unturned to secure our limbs as  
to follow an unhealthy occupation because  
money can be made by it.

Temping the appetite with alicies when the  
stomach says no.

Contriving to keep in continual worry about  
something or nothing.

Retiring at midnight and rising at noon.

Gormandizing between meals.

Giving way to fits of anger.

Neglecting to take a paper and pay for it.

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**THE ARCTIC REGIONS.**—It is impossible, from  
anything we are yet in possession of, to form  
an opinion as to what exists beyond the parallel  
of  $82^{\circ}$   $30'$  min. north, or beyond that of eighty  
degrees of latitude south.

The north magnetic pole has been discovered  
and examined: it is elevated but a little above  
sea level, in lat.  $70^{\circ}$   $70'$  N., long. about  $98^{\circ}$   $50'$   
W. The magnetic equator is

been reached, for it is "walled in by ice, and is situated in lofty mountains not yet explored; its position, however, is farther from the equator than the north magnetic pole, and is in the vicinity of two lofty mountains, in which volcanoes are in an active state at an elevation of more than ten thousand feet above the sea.

The atmosphere of the Arctic is unlike our atmosphere. Lieut. Parry, when on Melville Island in the winter of 1849-50, lat about 75 deg. N., long. 120 deg. W., says: "We had frequent occasion in our walks on shore to remark the deception which takes place in estimating the distance and magnitude of objects when viewed over an unvaried surface of snow. It was not uncommon for us to direct our steps towards what was taken to be a large mass of stone at the distance of half a mile, but which we were able to take up in our hand after a minute's walk. This was more particularly the case when ascending the brow of a hill, nor did

count of the occasion became less on account of the frequency with which we experienced its effects."

HORACE ON THE BEARD.—HORACE Greely, in late lecture, is reported to have spoken thus on the subject of shaving:

"We stray to Young America in counting houses and workshops, never touch your beards with a razor. Despite the dictates of fashion, and let the hair of the face grow thick and soft, and be trimmed by the scissors. Your health will be improved; your teeth will be sounder; your liability to colds and bronchial and lung affections will be sensibly diminished; your convenience will be daily commended; your manly beauty—no, desirable thing, as it is the type of what ought to be the dower of every man—will be indefinitely increased, and the true and poetical contrast to feminine loveliness be once more secured, which is impossible under the starved, cramped, wiry, caricatures which shavelling now

**WASHING CALICOES.**—The following method

of pieces of printed muslin, so as to preserve the colors, is recommended by a consistent authority: The dress should be washed in lather, and not in the usual way, by applying the soap direct upon the muslin. Make a lather by boiling some soap and water together. Let it stand until it is sufficiently cool for use. Previously to putting the dress into it, throw in a handful of salt. Rinse the dress, without wringing it, and rinse it again in a fresh supply of cold clear water and salt. Then wring the dress in a cloth, and hang it to dry immediately, pressing it out as soon as possible, so as to prevent any part lying over another. Should there be any white in the pattern, mix a little lime in the water.

**DRIED APPLES, PIE-A-— "Buckeye Girl!"**  
 Ends an exchange the following recipe:  
 "Let those who have the great privilege of drying their own fruit, prepare their apples for sale before they are dried. Free them from all

and, even, since the season, on parties, they will dry in the sun, or by a smoking stove in about twenty-four hours, without losing their natural flavor. Applied in this way, will cook ready to use in half an hour, and with the usual seasoning of sugar, leeks, &c., we have a pie that 'would take' a art epicure to tell from a green apple pie, and besides, it is a saving of time, which is a great desideratum in the endless round of cookery.

TIME TO RETIRE.—Marchal Radetsky, the general in Chief of the Austrian forces in Italy, has resigned his commission at the age of 31 years. This veteran in the wars had won victories for his king before the American Declaration of Independence. From youth he has been the harness of war, and bide fair to reach a full century of years. He is now the oldest lieftenant in the world.

A most excellent manner to fix eggs to a wall over them hot put while the white is set—